WASHINGTON CENTRAL UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT WARNING

The legal voters of the Washington Central Unified Union School District, a municipal corporation consisting of the Towns of Berlin, Calais, East Montpelier, Middlesex, and Worcester, Vermont are hereby notified and warned to meet in their respective towns at the polling places hereinafter named on Tuesday, March 1, 2022, to vote by Australian ballot on Articles 1 through 9 as outlined below.

ARTICLE 1. To elect a Clerk for a term of one (1) year.

ARTICLE 2. To elect a Treasurer for a term of one (1) year.

ARTICLE 3. To elect a Moderator for a term of one (1) year.

ARTICLE 4. To elect the following School Directors:

| Berlin | One (1) School Director | Three (3) Year Term |
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| Calais | One (1) School Director | Three (3) Year Term |
| | One (1) School Director | One (1) Year of a Three (3) Year Term |
| East Montpelier | One (1) School Director | Three (3) Year Term |
| Middlesex | One (1) School Director | Three (3) Year Term |
| | One (1) School Director | One (1) Year of a Three (3) Year Term |
| Worcester | One (1) School Director | Three (3) Year Term |
| | One (1) School Director | Two (2) Years of a Three (3) Year Term |
| | One (1) School Director | One (1) Year of a Three (3) Year Term |

ARTICLE 5. To fix the annual compensation of the Union School District officers.

Clerk \$500.00 Treasurer \$6,600.00 Directors \$1,050.00 each Chair \$2,100.00

- **ARTICLE 6.** Shall the voters of the Washington Central Unified Union School District approve the school board to expend \$36,169,267 which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved will result in education spending of \$20,391 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 5.03% higher than spending for the current year.
- **ARTICLE 7.** Shall the School District authorize the Board of School Directors of Washington Central Unified Union School District to hold any audited fund balance as of June 30, 2022 in a reserve fund to be expended under the control and direction of the Board of School Directors for the purpose of operating the school?
- **ARTICLE 8.** Shall the School District authorize the Board of School Directors to borrow money in anticipation of the receipt of revenues for the 2022-2023 school year?

ARTICLE 9. Shall the School District authorize the Board of School Directors to convey approximately 3.8 acres of undeveloped land that is now a part of the Berlin Elementary School Property to the Town of Berlin for use as part of the New Town Center?

Polling Places and Times:

Berlin Municipal Office in Berlin Corners - 7:00 AM-7:00 PM

Calais Elementary School in Calais – 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM

East Montpelier Elementary School in East Montpelier – 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM

Middlesex Town Hall in Middlesex – 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM

Worcester Town Hall in Worcester - 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM

A virtual public hearing will take place on Monday, February 28, 2022 at 6:30 PM to provide information on the articles to be voted by Australian Ballot at the municipalities' respective Town Meetings on Tuesday, March 1, 2022. https://tinyurl.com/yc348xyz Meeting ID: 883 0614 4167 Password: 285100 Phone: 1-929-205-6099

In person location will be at U-32 Middle & High School 930 Gallison Hill Rd., Montpelier, VT 05602 in Rm 128/131.

Upon closing of the polls, the ballots shall be transported and delivered to the East Montpelier Elementary School at 665 Vincent Flats Road in the Town of East Montpelier where they will be commingled and counted by members of the Boards of Civil Authority of district towns under the supervision of the Clerk of the Washington Central Unified Union School District.

The legal voters of Washington Central Unified Union School District are further notified that voter qualification, registration, and absentee voting relative to said annual meeting shall be as provided in Sections 553 and 706 (u) of Title 16, and Chapters 43, 51, and 55 of title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated

SCHOOL DIRECTORS

| Flor Diaz-Smith, Chair (East Montpelier) | Jill Olson (Middlesex) |
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| Kari Bradley, Vice-Chair (Calais) | Stephen Looke (East Montpelier) |
| Diane Nichols-Fleming (Berlin) | Maggie Weiss (Calais) |
| Vera Frazier (Berlin) MAR BAMENT | Malinda (Lindy) Johnson (East Montpelier) |
| Ursula Stanley (Middlesex) McKalyly LeClerc (Worcester) | Jonas Eno-Van Fleet, Clerk (Worcester) |
| Jonathan Goddard (Berlin) | |
| C. Scott Thompson (Calais) | |
| Chris McVeigh (Middlesex) | |

Rosie LaQuerre, We UUSD Clerk